

**Before the  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of )  
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MCI WorldCom, Inc. Petition for Expedited )  
Declaratory Ruling Regarding the Process for ) CC Docket No. 00-45  
Adoption of Agreements Pursuant to Section )  
252(i) of the Communications Act and Section )  
51.809 of the Commission's Rules )

**ORDER**

**Adopted: November 13, 2003**

**Released: November 13, 2003**

By the Chief, Competition Policy Division:

1. On March 7, 2000, MCI WorldCom, Inc. (MCI) filed a petition for declaratory ruling<sup>1</sup> seeking rulings regarding the process for adoption of interconnection agreements pursuant to section 252(i) of the Communications Act, as amended,<sup>2</sup> and section 51.809 of the Commission's rules.<sup>3</sup> On November 10, 2003, MCI filed a request to withdraw its petition for declaratory ruling, explaining that it raised many of the same issues in response to the Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket Nos. 01-338, 96-98, and 98-147.<sup>4</sup> In this Order, we grant MCI's request to withdraw and dismiss the petition.

2. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to the authority delegated under sections 0.91 and 0.291 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, that MCI's request to withdraw the above-captioned petition IS GRANTED.

3. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to the authority delegated under sections 0.91 and 0.291 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, that the above-captioned petition for declaratory ruling IS DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE, and the proceeding

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<sup>1</sup> *MCI WorldCom, Inc. Petition for Expedited Declaratory Ruling Regarding the Process for Adoption of Agreements Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Communications Act and Section 51.809 of the Commission's Rules*, CC Docket No. 00-45 (filed Mar. 7, 2000); see *Pleading Cycle Established for Comments on the Revised Petition of MCI WorldCom, Inc. for Declaratory Ruling Regarding the Process for Adoption of Agreements Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Communications Act and Section 51.809 of the Commission's Rules*, CC Docket No. 00-45, Public Notice, 15 FCC Rcd 5079 (2000).

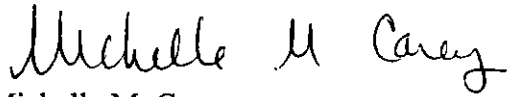
<sup>2</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 252(i)

<sup>3</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 51.809

<sup>4</sup> Letter from Lisa R. Youngers, Attorney – Federal Advocacy, MCI, to Michelle Carey, Chief, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, CC Docket Nos. 00-45, 01-338, 96-98, 98-147 at 1 (filed Nov. 10, 2003).

initiated by that petition, CC Docket No. 00-45, IS TERMINATED.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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Michelle M. Carey  
Chief, Competition Policy Division